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1. GENERAL DEBATE CONTINUED AUGUST 16 WITH CZECHOSLOVAKIA,
TURKEY, AND AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS AMONG THOSE MAKING
INTERVENTIONS DURING AM MEETING.

2. CZECH DEL STATED THAT THE ARROGANT ACTIONS OF
COLONIALIST REGIMES ARE MADE POSSIBLE BY THE SUPPORT OF
NATO NATIONS AND THEIR TRANSNATIONAL MONOPOLIES. HE WENT
ON TO EXPLAIN THAT DISCRIMINATION IS NOT LIMITED TO
SOUTHERN AFRICA AND NOTED AS AN EXAMPLE THAT BASIC HUMAN
RIGHTS ARE DENIED PALESTINIAN PEOPLE BY ZIONIST AND
EXPANSIONIST POLICIES OF ISRAEL. HE SAID THAT RACIAL
DISCRIMINATION IN EUROPE AND THE U.S. EXTENDS TO ALL
NON-WHITES.

3. TURKISH DEL MADE UNINSPIRED SPEECH SUPPORTING ANTI-
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APARTHEID POLICIES AND PROGRAMS OF THE UN AND URGING A
STUDY OF NEW APPROACHES TO IMPROVE THE LOT OF GUEST WORK-
ERS IN EUROPE.

4. IN A FIERY SPEECH TO CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS THE
AFRICAN NATIONAL CONGRESS DEL (ANC) ACCUSED THE SAG OF
BUILDING UP ITS MILITARY STRENGTH FOR THE WHITE MAN'S

LAST STAND. HE WENT ON TO STATE THAT SOUTH AFRICA IS WELL INTEGRATED IN THE MONOPOLIST TRANSNATIONAL IMPERIALIST REGIME AND THAT THE COUNTRY IS VIRTUALLY IN A STATE OF WAR. AFTER THE TRIUMPHS OF VIET-NAM, ANGOLA, GUINEA-BISSAU, MOZAMBIQUE IN WINNING THEIR FREEDOM FROM COLONIALIST OPPRESSORS, THE ANC IS MAKING MASSIVE PREPARATIONS FOR ARMED SEIZURE OF SOUTHERN AFRICA. THE VORSTER REGIME DOES NOT SCARE US. ALGERIA AND VIETNAM BOTH WON THEIR FREEDOM AGAINST HIGHLY-INDUSTRIALIZED NATIONS. ZIMBABWE, NAMIBIA AND THE BLACKS OF SOUTH AFRICA WILL BE FREE SOONER RATHER THAN LATER AS WE OVERCOME THE FASCIST MINORITY REGIMES. THE UNITED NATIONS HAS AFFIRMED THE LEGITIMACY OF OUR ARMED STRUGGLE.

5. DURING THE AFTERNOON MEETING CUBAN DEL SAID IMPERIALISTS, RACISTS, REACTIONARIES OPPOSED HOLDING OF THIS CONFERENCE. THERE IS SILENCE BY THE US AND EUROPEAN MASS MEDIA SEEKING TO MINIMIZE ITS IMPACT. THERE ARE OBVIOUS ABSENCES; ISRAEL AND US ARE CONSISTENT ALLIES OF THOSE WHO UPHOLD APARTHEID. SALISBURY, PRETORIA, TEL AVIV, WASHINGTON ARE ABSENT. THIS IS REPROACHABLE. HE CONTINUED HIS TIRADE NOTING THAT TYCOONS INVEST IN SOUTH AFRICA, EXPORTING CHEAP LABOR AND DRAWING JUICY, CRIMINAL PROFITS AND THAT THE US IS THE MAIN BENEFICIARY. THAT HE SAID EXPLAINS THEIR ABSENCE AT THIS CONFERENCE. "IS THIS HOW CAPITALIST POWERS DEFEND HUMAN RIGHTS? IMPERIALISTS AND LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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NATO GIVE ARMS TO PRETORIA AND SALISBURY. THE CIA AGENTS HAVE CONFESSED HOW THEY COLLABORATED WITH SOUTH AFRICAN INVADERS WHO SOUGHT TO PREVENT ANGOLAN FREEDOM. SOME PEOPLE CLAIM TO BE APOSTLES OF HUMAN RIGHTS AND YET OPPRESS CHICANOS, INDIANS, LATIN AMERICANS, PUERTO RICANS AND BLACKS. AND THEY MAINTAIN CLOSE TIES WITH SOUTH AFRICA AND GIVE SOPHISTICATED WEAPONS TO THE ISRAELIS. THEY WANT TO HAVE AN ARMY OF UNEMPLOYED. THE SO CALLED INTERNAL AGREEMENT IN ZIMBABWE IS A CLUMSY EFFORT TO PERPETUATE WHITE EXPLOITATION. THE PATRIOTIC FRONT IS ONLY TRUE REPRESENTATIVE OF ZIMBABWEAN PEOPLE."

6. IN WHAT APPEARS A FAIRLY MODERATE SPEECH, GHANAIAAN DEL SAID THAT SOUTH AFRICA IS STILL RECEIVING ARMS AND ENJOYING ECONOMIC BOOM. HE SAID THAT WESTERN BANKS STILL INJECT CAPITAL AND TRANSNATIONALS STILL PROVIDE MECHANISMS TO EVADE UN ECONOMIC SANCTIONS AGAINST SAG. MORE AND MORE COUNTRIES IN WESTERN WORLD, HE SAID, ARE PASSING LAWS AIMED AT PROTECTING JOBS FOR THEIR OWN CITIZENS WHICH HAVE THE EFFECT OF BARRING EMPLOYMENT FOR THOSE OF OTHER RACES AND RELIGIONS. GHANA REP ALSO SAID HIS GOVERNMENT SUPPORTS THE ANGLO-AMERICAN EFFORTS IN ZIMBABWE.

7. AFTER REVIEWING DOMESTIC RACIAL POLICIES UK DEL, DURING HIS INTERVENTION, SPOKE ABOUT RHODESIA, NAMIBIA AND SOUTH AFRICA. COMMENTING ON THE SITUATION IN THE LATTER COUNTRY HE SAID: QUOTE - WE RECOGNISE A PROBLEM WHICH REQUIRES OUR URGENT AND CONTINUING ATTENTION BECAUSE IT INVOLVES A CONTINUING MASSIVE FLAGRANT VIOLATION OF THE MOST FUNDAMENTAL HUMAN RIGHTS - A STANDING AFFRONT TO THE DIGNITY OF ALL THOSE WHO SUFFER UNDER APARTHEID. IT IS ONLY NATURAL THAT A WIDE RANGE OF SOLUTIONS IS BEING PROPOSED. I BELIEVE THAT ALL WHO HAVE THE TRUE INTERESTS OF THE PEOPLE OF SOUTH AFRICA AT HEART WILL HOPE THAT THE CHANGES WHICH ARE COMING WILL TAKE PLACE PEACEFULLY.

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CONTACTS DO EXIST BETWEEN MY COUNTRY AND SOUTH AFRICA. I ACKNOWLEDGE THE STRENGTH OF FEELING THAT LEADS TO CRITICISM OF THOSE CONTACTS. BUT IT IS ALSO RIGHT TO QUESTION WHETHER FURTHER BLOODSHED, WHETHER THE ISOLATION OF SOUTH AFRICA WITH ALL THAT IT WOULD DO TO INCREASE THE SUFFERING, NOT ONLY OF SOUTH AFRICANS BUT OF MANY OTHER INHABITANTS OF THE WHOLE REGION OF SOUTHERN AFRICA, WHETHER THIS IS REALLY THE WAY TO SOLVE THE PROBLEMS OF RACISM AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION IN SOUTH AFRICA. END QUOTE.

8. AUSTRALIA, LIBERIA, NEW ZEALAND, PERU AND UPPER VOLTA WERE AMONG AFTERNOON SPEAKERS. ALL DEPLORED RACISM AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION AND STATED THAT THESE EVILS DID NOT EXIST IN THEIR COUNTRIES. SORENSON

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